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LAST WORD HAS BEEN SPOKEN.

PRESIDENT WILSON has given Germany the ultima-
tum of the United States—that unless the imperial
government of Germany abandons at once its present
method of warfare of unarmed passenger and freight-
carrying vessels, diplomatic relations between the two gov-
ernments will be severed. Germany has but one choice,
and that must be made at once.

The president has placed before congress all the facts,
omitting the details of the specific offenses committed by
Germany in the underside warfare that has been waged.
The congress of the United States has been made ac-
quainted with the facts as they exist, and with the pres-
ident's action.

History is being made by President Wilson in the con-
sideration of the grave affairs now before him, and by
congress in its acts of the next few hours or days. If
international law means anything, it must be upheld now.
If that is not done, then the future holds no assurance
for any nation on earth.

In spite of denials, regardless of promises, Germany
has repeatedly violated international law. Neutral vessels
have been sunk without warning and Americans have lost
their lives when they believed themselves to be pro-
tected by the law of nations and safe within its protection.
Protests have not availed against the ruthless and in-
discriminate destruction.

Awaiting Germany's action, this nation will approve
the stand taken by the president and be in readiness
for the result, whatever it may be.

The United States weather bureau declares that Kan-
sas is not a cyclone state, and presumably those caves and
cellars in the vicinity of or under every farmhouse in
the state are just ornaments.

Iowa comes forward with a complaint against the
primary, this time on the ground that it is so expensive.
The Iowa primary cost \$150,000 and 50,000 votes were
cast, running the cost up to \$3 a vote.

GERMANY ALSO A DECEIVER?

GERMANY proves to be almost the equal of Mexico
in practicing deception, especially in the art of de-
ceiving the common people of the empire. According to
information that comes from Germany, which has not
been passed by the censor, the common people of Germany
have heard many alarmist reports concerning America.
The latest received by them is to the effect that Pres-
ident Wilson is about to break off diplomatic relations with
and declare war on Germany unless all submarine warfare
is abandoned.

An unfortunate feature of the present crisis is that
the German people are wholly uninformed as to the facts
and the real state of opinion in America. They get no
real information from the dispatches that come by way
of London. Their information comes to them from that
source almost entirely and they regard all of it with
distrust. On the other hand they rely implicitly on the
information given out on the authority of the German
press.

It is said that the people of the empire have not all
been deceived, and that many of them who have relatives
in America are thirsting for truthful information. The
great majority believe all that is told to them, though, and
they have opinions of America that are warped by their
prejudiced leaders.

Michigan newspapers say the democrats are badly
frightened at the candidacy of Henry Ford. They must
think that all the Ford car owners are going to vote
for him.

Somehow the politicians nearly always fail to get to-
gether. Barnes and his helpers think the way to prevent
the nomination of the colonel is to put Elihu Root forward.
Governor Whitman and his crowd think it is better to
boost Hughes.

EL DEMOCRATA GETS A SCOOP.

SCOOps ARE NOT numerous these days, except those
of minor importance which the reporters pick up; but
in the publication of the story that seven southwestern
and western states are about to secede from the United
States and join Mexico, El Democata, published at Chil-
ihuahua City, has one. It is a magnificent scoop—of its
kind, but it is difficult to understand why Oklahoma was
not included.

The states that are to secede—according to El Demo-
crata, understand—are Texas, Colorado, Nevada, Arizona,
New Mexico, Utah and California. Prisons and pen-
itentiaries in these states are to be opened, the prisoners,
oppressed by Yankee gold, are to be liberated, after which
the prisons are all to be abolished. Large sums have
been provided to carry on the propaganda, according to
"General" Vergara, the Mexican gentleman who is pulling
it off, in proof of which he has shown a checkbook, the last
check of \$100 being drawn to himself.

This story is preposterous enough to cause a laugh in
the states named, but still it is not more ridiculous than
some of the things we have here at home. Some of
the provisions of this propaganda are not so far in ad-
vance of the wild dreams of some socialists. "General"
Jose Vergara swooped them in the publication of his wild
scheme, but he did not beat them to it in dreaming things
that are absurd and glaringly foolish.

Those who have studied the characteristics of Car-
ranza and his actions have only one explanation to make.
He is a Mexican.

FILMS AS THEY ARE TAKEN.

NEWSPAPER MEN in Topeka have been given a treat
they enjoyed to the utmost, due to the kindness of
the governor, the mayor, the sheriff and the chief of
police, and by a violation of the Kansas law. The gover-
nor of Kansas, the mayor and chief of police of Topeka
and the sheriff of Shawnee county are newspaper men
themselves. That accounts for it.

The newspaper men were not treated to any rough
stuff, or anything shocking. They were simply shown
a new batch of moving picture films before the official
censor of the state had been given an opportunity to
detain them. In reality it was nothing more than every
body in Oklahoma is permitted to see, but in Kansas it
was a joyous occasion. Rev. Festus Foster and his
deputy censors were not present.

Many screen mysteries were explained when the pic-
tures were shown at the press club dinner. For instance,
moving picture patrons in Kansas had seen a screen
character pick up a glass of wine and start it in the
direction of his mouth. They had noticed that the wine
disappeared in some mysterious manner before it reached
its destination. They did not know what became of it.

The mystery has been explained. The movie actor
really drinks the colored water which passed for wine, as
revealed by the uncensored film. As the public will see
it, he does not. It has been deleted—cut out—by the
Rev. Censor Festus Foster.

In Germany the death rate among the babies is low,
but it is high enough among the soldiers at the front
to offset such a condition at home.

WHAT ROOSEVELT WOULD DO.

E XPECT NOW a flood of newspaper talk about what
Roosevelt would do in the present crises regarding
Germany and Mexico. This may be looked for regardless
of the fact that the colonel himself has refused to say
what he would have done in the past or what he would
do now.

A representative of the New York Sun was sent to
the colonel with a set of questions about what he would
have done in regard to Mexico and what he would do now,
and questions of the same purport regarding Germany.
The colonel answered simply and directly. He said it
was impossible for him to answer hypothetical questions.

That will not stop those who are speaking for him,
however. It will not dampen their ardor for a moment.

It would have been interesting though to have had
Roosevelt speak out. There are many who would like
to know what he would have done, and what he would do
now. This would be interesting even to those who believe
that no sane man would have acted differently from the
president.

Now comes a federal tax sleuth on the trail of those
who failed to make proper reports as to their incomes,
and that is worse than our own tax ferret.

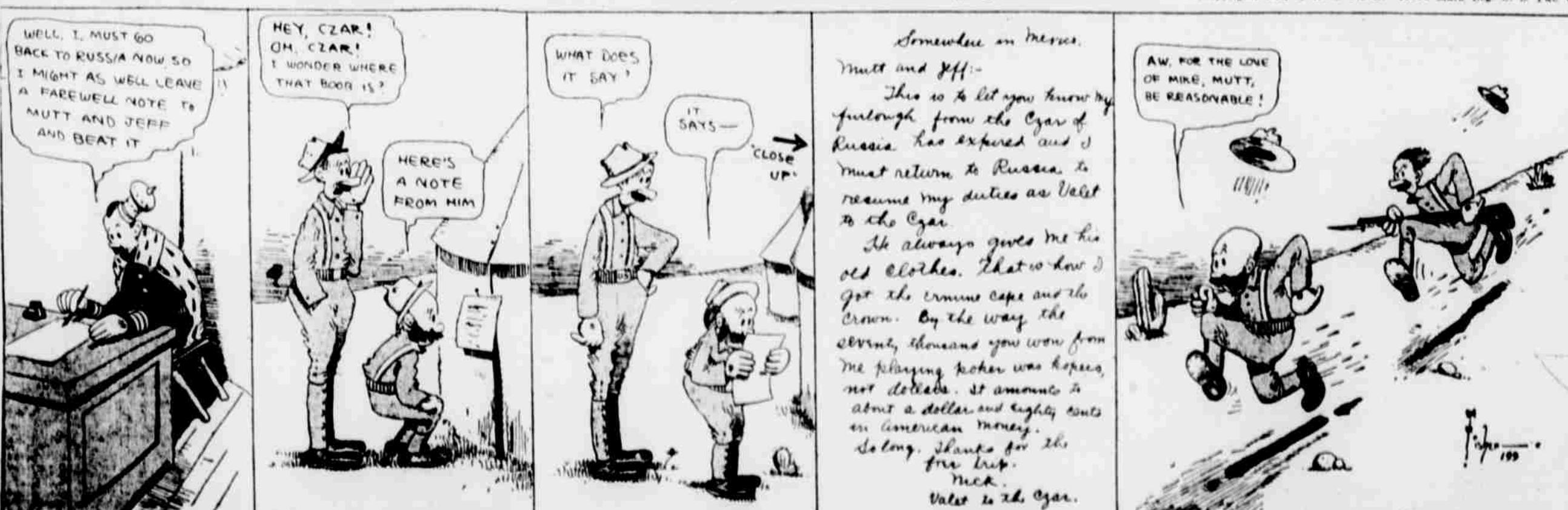
Carranza may not be such a fool as he has been
painted. It will be noticed that he did not order the
American troops out of Mexico until he was prepared.

Germany resents the suspicion of the United States
that she has broken all her pledges. Those bomb and
fire plots of Germans right here in America are hardly
evidences of good faith.

MUTT AND JEFF—Oh My No! It Wasn't Really the Czar, Simply His Valet.

BY BUD FISHER

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Summing It Up

By RICHARD S. GRAVES

Some of them may wear those loud stockings to prevent their feet from going to sleep. At least that explanation is as good as any.

Germany has sent Captain Von Papen to Holland. Germany will not send him back here no matter what may happen.

Congress was galvanized into silence yesterday, according to the Washington report. Congress has been galvanized many times, but not into silence.

Frank Goodness the almond at last have been blanched. Dick's confessing wife managed finally to give the details.

Ferdinando Valls and all his countrymen, we are pleased to note, went into the pool for one day, even though it was only temporarily.

Another way to raise an army, which is offered as a suggestion, would be to include all the candidates for office.

Trouble does not skip anybody, no matter how high their positions may be. Premier Asquith is getting his along with others of less note.

Twenty years ago a Professor Bust came here, but no trace of him can be found now in the business or city machinery.

Those among them who are modest, we presume, are glad during those windy days that hoops are not fashionable.

Snap Shots By Jay E. House

The only way to save money on a plane is not to buy one.

The average man's purpose in making a will is to prevent relatives whom he doesn't like from sharing his property.

Town people have learned better, but country people still believe a circus divides for the purpose of appearing at two or three stands on the same date.

In communities where fox hunting is considered a sport catching one is the cardinal offense. The rule in fox hunting is that you may chase the quarry, but you must not overtake it.

The middle-aged bachelor and the blonde woman nearly always are sus- pected.

Quail do not do very well, although they are almost universally protected by law. On the other hand, pheasants, which are mercilessly hunted in every community, are becoming more numerous.

A man's beard is red the possibility that he may eventually grow chin whiskers becomes a probability.

Most married women continue to live with their husbands on account of the children. It is not known why women who have no children continue to live with their husbands.

The bluest woman is the mother who is getting a daughter ready to go away to school.

Here's another inviolate rule. It is the drunken man who drops the mickie into the mechanical piano.

Oh, Kindly Spare Them Calves!

James Sibley and William Slemon of Springfield, Ohio, have offered their services as butchers in case there are many corn fed calves hanging around the Club.

Rank Smell

Announcement of the marriage at Hawarden, Iowa, of Miss Hazel Bank to Mr. Roy Snell of that place, has been received in Tipton—Tipton (Iowa) Ad- vertiser.

The Two Failures

Two failures met upon the road. And muttered, "Hoody-doo!" said one. "I failed because I bit off more than I could chew."

The other snorted a weary smile.

And said, "I failed because I never tried to bite a thing."

"I failed because I bit my jaws."

—Harry Easton

Well, We'd Only Make One Guess

J. A. T. of West Baden, Ind., says that tasks doesn't know the make of the ma- chine wanted by M. P. Rottmeyer of Ober- da, Ind.

Things to Worry About

Every square mile of sea contains 128,000,000 fish.

Names Is Names

Ira Trophie lives at Springfield, Ohio.

Our Daily Special

Marry in haste and let Leisure

Luke McLuke Says

Many a girl who thinks that she is hypnotizing her voice is merely Cultivating her Imagination.

It is pretty tough to love Beer and have Beerstones.

Some inventors do not receive their reward until long after they are dead. But the man who invented Klondike got his reward while he was here.

Pick up almost any paper and you will

Echoes from Hotel Lobbies

Your Oklahoma weather is the most temperamental in the year around. And it makes no difference whether it is always warm or always cold. The Brazilian Indians and the Eskimos are products of both extremes.

With the exception of the ancient Greeks and Romans, the Persians, Phoenicians and other Semitic peoples, all the great races of the world have come from temperate climates. Perhaps the Greeks and Romans should be excluded, for their countries are in reality in the temperate zone.

"I have often thought how the history of the world would have been changed had the white races originated in the tropical zone and the black and certain portions of the red race in the temperate zone. In the Arctic Indians and the ancient Peruvians we see what the red race is capable of when favorably situated with respect to climate."

"Of course, it is an accepted ethnological fact that the red races have a skull of greater capacity than the black. But just supposing the black race had originated in the temperate zone." The Neanderthal skull which has a cubic capacity much smaller than the average negro and whose cranial index is much more acute was found in the temperate zone and belonged presumably to a distant ancestor of the present white Europeans.

"This, to my mind, means that the white race has developed from a people having a very small skull compared to what it has now. It would have been peculiar had the black race developed the intelligence of the white and the extreme sessions are far more energetic than those living in a region in which enslaved to the black wouldn't fit."

Twenty Years Ago

(From The Times Files)

Last Thursday the South Canadian river was dry at Purcell. Saturday it was a raging torrent, and fears are entertained for the safety of the new Santa Fe bridge.

Chief Engineer Lynch and P. G. Burns left this morning to make a general view of the right-of-way of the Sapulpa road.

E. P. Bernardin, manager of the Oklahoma City nursery, left today for Stillwater, where he will spend a week in the interest of the nursery.

The highschool building is now ready for the brick work, but the work is delayed on account of lack of brick. The fourth ward school basement is not finished yet and will not be for two weeks.

J. E. Queen has purchased the W. W. Scott interest in The Times Journal and will henceforth assist in the publication of the paper. He has had years of wide experience in the work.

Mrs. Jennie Compton, wife of C. A. Compton of the Compton house, died this morning of blood poisoning. She leaves her husband and three children. The funeral services will be in the Baptist church tomorrow.

S. P. Freeling, a prominent attorney of Shawnee, was in the city this morning on business.

The ladies of the Twentieth Century Club entertained all other clubs of the city this afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. G. Street, in home of Mrs. A. C. Scott of Stillwater.

A surprise birthday party was given last night at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Phillips to Miss Naomi Phillips, who was participated in by thirty young people.

T. P. Mellon decided to make the new addition to the Fair three, in place of two stories, which will make it the largest mercantile establishment in the city.

Warren L. Dutcher, son of Rev. R. D. Dutcher, arrived last night from St. Louis, where he has been attending college, and will remain for the summer.

W. J. Richards of Moline, Ill., is in the city on a short business trip.

E. V. Topping of the Oklahoma Miller association, left today for Chicago to attend the millers' convention.

C. G. Jones, chairman of the statewide executive committee, left last evening for Washington to renew his efforts to secure statehood.

James Weaver of Cincinnati arrived in the city yesterday to look after his interests on the corner of Main and Harvey.